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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR CANDIDATES TO PARTICIPATE IN AN AFRICA CENTER FOR SECURITY STUDIES SEMINAR AUGUST 9 - 14, IN OUAGADOUGOU, BURKINA FASO

REF: BRAZZAVILLE 224

¶1. (SBU) The Department of State has reviewed its files and finds as of July 27, 2009, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individuals listed below:

Name: Alphonse Tsila  
Rank: Colonel (retired)  
DOB: February 22, 1949  
POB: Brazzaville, Congo-B

Name: Mathias Bangui  
Rank: Colonel  
DOB: February 24, 1959  
POB: Liranga, Congo-B

¶2. (U) Post is permitted to provide the following statement to authorized parties:

The Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individuals identified in paragraph 1 above, as of July 27, 2009.

¶3. (U) If in the future post becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the individuals listed above, post should inform the Department and not proceed with training.

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